



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No. 7098-20
Ref: Signature Date

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records
To: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD ICO FORMER MBR [REDACTED] USN,
XXX-XX [REDACTED]

Ref: (a) Title 10 U.S.C. § 1552
(b) Joint Travel Regulations 2019

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 w/attachments
(2) Subject's naval record

1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a) Subject, hereinafter referred to as Petitioner, filed enclosure (1) with this Board requesting, in effect, that the applicable naval record be corrected to show Petitioner was partially reimbursed for her personally procured move (PPM).
2. The Board, consisting of [REDACTED], [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 10 November 2020 and, pursuant to its regulations, determined that the corrective action indicated below should be taken on the available evidence of record. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of the enclosures, relevant portions of Petitioner's naval record, and applicable statutes, regulations and policies.
3. The Board, having reviewed all the facts of record pertaining to Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice, finds as follows:
 - a. Before applying to this Board, Petitioner exhausted all administrative remedies available under existing law and regulations within the Department of the Navy.
 - b. On 1 November 2018, Petitioner's request to affiliate with the Selected Reserve in current rating, LN, had been approved by the Chief of Naval Personnel.
 - c. In accordance with reference (b), travel and transportation allowances are payable only after valid orders are issued. The order directs travel to, from, or between official points and serves as the basis for the trip and associated reimbursements. A travel authorization or order should be issued before travel begins. Travel or expenses incurred before a travel authorization or order is issued are not reimbursable, unless otherwise stated in the JTR. In unusual or urgent situations when travel must begin before a written authorization or order can be issued, a verbal authorization may be given. In such cases, the verbal authorization must be followed up in writing (called a "confirmatory order") before allowances are paid. A travel order may only

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contain authority for travel and transportation allowances provided within the JTR. If there is any conflict between a travel order and the JTR, the JTR prevails.

HHG allowances are based on the PCS order's effective date; although, the HHG may be transported as long as the HHG authority remains in effect. The weight allowance is based on the grade held on the effective date of the order authorizing the HHG transportation. See par. 051401 for a Service member reduced in grade.

- d. On 16 November 2019, Petitioner's spouse initiated shipment of her HHG.
- e. On 30 December 2019, Petitioner was issued official separation orders (BUPERS order: 3649) detaching from [REDACTED]
- f. On 15 February 2020, Petitioner utilized a Certified Automated Truck Scale located at [REDACTED]
- g. On 18 February 2020, Petitioner certified a DD Form 2278 (Application For Do It Yourself Move And Counseling Checklist) prepared on 14 January 2020. Maximum authorized weight 11,000 lbs. with an estimated gross incentive \$483.22.
- h. On 27 February 2020, Petitioner was honorably discharged.
- i. On 18 May 2020, Petitioner was notified by NAVSUP Fleet Logistics Center Norfolk via letter that a review of the documentation supporting the claim shows that you initiated shipment of your HHGs on 16 November 2019 prior to the 30 December 2019 issue date of your orders. Since shipment was made prior to the issuance of orders, this office has no legal basis to permit payment of your claim.

CONCLUSION

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, and especially in light of the contents of reference (b), the Board finds the existence of an injustice warranting the following corrective action. The Board concluded that Petitioner's travel claim was denied because her spouse initiated her own move prior to the issuance of Petitioner's orders. The Board concluded that Petitioner was authorized travel and transportation, and movement of HHG in connection with her release from active duty and she moved her HHG after she was issued orders, therefore Petitioner is entitled to at least partial reimbursement of her PPM.

RECOMMENDATION

That Petitioner's naval record be corrected, where appropriate, to show that:

Petitioner was issued official separation orders (BUPERS order: 3649) on 15 November 2019 vice 30 December 2019,

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Note: Petitioner is advised to resubmit her personally procured move claim, orders, receipts, and a copy of this Board of Correction of Naval Records (BCNR) decision letter to the Household Good Audit Team (HHG-AT) for re-adjudication. The point of contact is the Director, HHG Audit Team (Code 302), NAVSUP Fleet Logistics Center Norfolk, 1968 Gilbert Street Suite 600, Norfolk, VA 23511-3392 Phone: 757-443-1873 or email at Celene.long@navy.mil. Furthermore, settlement of claim is chargeable to the line of accounting on the Petitioner's BUPERS Separation Order number 3649.

A copy of this Report of Proceedings will be filed in Petitioner's naval record.

4. It is certified that a quorum was present at the Board's review and deliberations, and that the foregoing is a true and complete record of the Board's proceedings in the above-entitled matter.

5. Pursuant to the delegation of authority set out in Section 6(e) of the revised Procedures of the Board for Correction of Naval Records (32 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 723.6(e)), and having assured compliance with its provisions, it is hereby announced that the foregoing corrective action, taken under the authority of the reference, has been approved by the Board on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy.

12/22/2020

Deputy Director

Signed by: [REDACTED]